## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Marianne Horinko, Assistant Administrator, US EPA

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FROM: Jon Sandoval, Chairman, ECOS/ DOE Forum

Howard Roitman, Chairman, ECOS Long-Term Stewardship

Subcommittee

DATE: September 18, 2002

RE: Draft Agreement on Long-Term Stewardship (LTS)

As you know, representatives of DOE, DOD, DOI and EPA have been meeting with state members of the ECOS Long-Term Stewardship (LTS) Subcommittee. This group has formulated a draft proposed LTS Agreement between ECOS and the participating federal agencies. A copy of the draft LTS Agreement is attached for your consideration.

The purpose of the Agreement is to document our mutual commitment for working together in a cooperative manner as states, federal agencies, and many others, strive to address the numerous challenges that remain at post-remediation sites throughout the country.

This draft LTS Agreement has been formulated by state representatives on the ECOS Long-Term Stewardship Subcommittee and federal representatives from your respective agencies. A tribal representative and a local government representative also participated in formulation of the proposal. It is built upon the "LTS Strawman" document that was presented at the ECOS 2002 Spring Meeting in Madison, WI. Representatives of the participating agencies recently met in Washington and formulated this latest draft version of the proposed Agreement for your consideration.

If we can get the necessary approvals in a timely manner we are proposing that this Agreement be signed by ECOS representatives and federal agency principals at the ECOS 2002 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas on October 5-8, 2002.

To that end, please send us any changes to the draft LTS Agreement that you believe are essential for you to support signing it. We would like to receive these suggestions no later than COB, Monday, September 30, 2002. Please send them to Howard Roitman at <a href="https://howard.roitman@state.co.us">howard.roitman@state.co.us</a> and to Tom Looby at <a href="tomlooby@earthlink.net">tomlooby@earthlink.net</a>. If you have any questions about the draft Agreement in the meantime please feel free to call Howard Roitman at 303.692.3397.

Cc. Steve Brown, ECOS Members, ECOS LTS Subcommittee Process Participants